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Honorable Christine Gregoire
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Dear Governor Gregoire:

Thank you for meeting with us to discuss the closure of our Cosmopolis pulp mill. We appreciated having the opportunity to meet with you, the Coastal Caucus legislators and other interested community members. Enclosed is the information on the industry that you requested.

As I stated in our meeting, the Weyerhaeuser Company is willing and prepared to meet with any potential buyer who meets our criteria for the disposition of the mill. That criteria includes realistic financing, certainty and timing of closing a sale, and indemnification from any future environmental and operations liability. We would also need written assurance from the Department of Ecology that Weyerhaeuser has completed all required remediation prior to completion of a sale. The sale will also not include a future wood supply agreement as the current Cosmopolis supply will be reallocated to other Weyerhaeuser operations. We will have a prospectus available to share with all qualified buyers and a process the divestment will follow.

With respect to the feasibility study, Weyerhaeuser is willing to meet with the consultant and share information to the extent that it is not proprietary, does not raise business competition issues and falls within the public disclosure guidelines set forth by the Securities and Exchange Commission. We will provide feedback on a draft proposal and final proposal as requested by the consultant. We decline to be a member of the advisory committee due to legal disclosure issues and potential conflicts with the sale process.

With regard to our customers, we have been as open as possible in communicating our intent to close, and that we are willing to look at other alternatives they might suggest.

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I want to reiterate the challenges facing this mill. It is a small scale facility with high maintenance, energy, chemical and other costs. It is increasingly expensive to maintain for safe operations and environmental compliance. In the future, the mill will need major and costly capital investments. With the added low cost, worldwide capacity that is coming on-line over the next two years, it will become increasingly difficult for our Cosmopolis mill to remain competitive.

Again, we appreciated the opportunity to meet with you. As we discussed, we understand the impacts to the Grays Harbor community. We remain committed to working with you if a qualified buyer is found and to identify economic development opportunities for the region.

Sincerely,



Rich Hanson

Chief Operating Officer